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SUBJECT: MIXED REACTION TO FITZGERALD CALL FOR REFORMS

AN IMPORTANT ULSTER PROTESTANT CHURCH LEADER REACTED FAVORABLY BUT WITH RESERVATIONS TO ADDRESS IN REPUBLIC BY IRISH FOREIGN MINISTER GARRET FITZGERALD APRIL 28. CHURCH OF IRELAND PRIMATE DR. GEORGE SIMMS WELCOMED WHAT HE CALLED POSITIVE APPROACH ON MATTERS AFFECTING NOT ONLY PROTESTANT RIGHTS IN EIRE BUT BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS. HE STRESSED HOWEVER, THAT HE OPPOSED ANY TREND TO PERMISSIVENESS. MR. FITZGERALD'S APPROACH ALSO WELCOMED BY MEMBERS UNIONIST PARTY NORTHERN IRELAND AND ALLIANCE PARTY. BOTH REVEREND IAN PAISLEY AND THOMAS PASSMORE HEAD OF BELFAST ORANGE ORDER HOWEVER SAID CONSTITUTIONAL ADJUSTMENTS MEANINGLESS WITHOUT REVISION OF CLAUSES RELATING TO JURISDICTION OVER NORTH. OFFICIAL UNIONIST JOHN TAYLOR WELCOMED FITZGERALD PROPOSALS AND SAID DEVELOPMENTS WOULD BE WATCHED WITH INTEREST HERE.

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